

## Claims

- [c1] 1. A method for directing a request involving an expected load to one server out of a plurality of servers, comprising the steps of:
- selecting a server;
  - determining whether said selected server has remaining capacity to handle said expected load; and
  - directing the request to said selected server, only if said server has remaining capacity to handle said expected load.
- [c2] 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
- providing at least one token associated with each of the plurality of servers; and
  - wherein said step of selecting a server includes the step of selecting at least one token associated with said server.;
3. The method of claim 2, wherein a probability of selecting a token associated with said server differs from a probability of selecting a token associated with at least one other of the plurality of servers.
- [c3] 4 The method of claim 2, wherein said step of providing at least one token includes the step of;
- providing a number of tokens associated with each of the plurality of servers, wherein said number is proportional to a the load limitation of each of said plurality of servers.
- [c4] 5 The method of claim 4, further comprising the step of skewing the a probability of selection of a at least one token associated with said server, said skewed probability being disproportionate to said the number of tokens associated with said server.
- [c5] 6. The method of claim 2, wherein said step of providing at least one token includes the step of:
- providing a number of tokens associated with each of the plurality of servers, wherein said number is disproportionate to a load limitation of each of said plurality of servers and said number is at least partly based on a priority of each of the plurality of servers.

- [c6] 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
changing said remaining capacity to reflect said expected load if said request is directed to said server.
- [c7] 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
selecting another server if said server does not have remaining capacity to handle said expected load.
- [c8] 9. The method of claim 8, wherein said other server is part of the same set.
- [c9] 10. The method of claim 8, wherein said other server is part of a reserve set.
- [c10] 11. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:  
resetting said remaining capacity for each time frame.
- [c11] 12. A system for allocating requests among servers, comprising:  
a plurality of servers;  
a first memory divided into entries, with at least one entry associated with each server and including an indication of said server;  
a second memory divided into entries, with at least one entry associated with each server and including a representation of a remaining capacity of said server; and  
a selector for selecting from among said entries of said first memory.
- [c12] 13. The system of claim 12, further comprising:  
at least one other set of at least one server to which requests can be allocated if there is no remaining capacity in any of said plurality of servers.
- [c13] 14. A program storage device readable by machine, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for directing a request involving an expected load to one server out of a plurality of servers, comprising the steps of:  
selecting a server;  
determining whether said selected server has remaining capacity to handle said expected load; and  
directing the request to said selected server, only if said server has remaining

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Smith et al.	2010	USA	1,000	Online Survey	18-65	50% M, 50% F	High School +	Various	\$10,000+	Good	Married	Christian	White	English	Western	Individualism	Materialism	Pro-environment	Pro-social	Pro-environmental
Johnson et al.	2012	Canada	500	Phone Interview	18-70	45% M, 55% F	College +	Various	\$15,000+	Good	Married	Christian	White	English	Western	Individualism	Materialism	Pro-environment	Pro-social	Pro-environmental
Lee et al.	2015	South Korea	2,000	Online Survey	18-60	50% M, 50% F	High School +	Various	\$10,000+	Good	Married	Buddhist	Asian	Korean	Confucian	Collectivism	Materialism	Pro-environment	Pro-social	Pro-environmental
Wang et al.	2018	China	3,000	Online Survey	18-70	50% M, 50% F	High School +	Various	\$10,000+	Good	Married	Buddhist	Asian	Chinese	Confucian	Collectivism	Materialism	Pro-environment	Pro-social	Pro-environmental
Ng et al.	2020	Singapore	1,500	Online Survey	18-65	50% M, 50% F	High School +	Various	\$10,000+	Good	Married	Buddhist	Asian	Chinese	Confucian	Collectivism	Materialism	Pro-environment	Pro-social	Pro-environmental

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15. A computer program product comprising a computer useable medium having computer readable program code embodied therein for directing a request involving an expected load to one server out of a plurality of servers, the computer program product comprising:

- computer readable program code for causing the computer to select a server;
- computer readable program code for causing the computer to determine whether said selected server has remaining capacity to handle said expected load; and
- computer readable program code for causing the computer to direct the request to said selected server, only if said server has remaining capacity to handle said expected load.